



Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission Continuing Competency Sub-Committee

January 26, 2006

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

310 SE Israel Rd – Tumwater WA

"Meet Me" Telephone Conference together with "Go to Meeting" Online

Minutes

Members:

Todd Herzog, Chair; William J Hagens, Public Member; Cheryl Payseno, Pro-tem Member; Diane Saunders, Nurse Administrator; Judy Personett, Nurse Administrator; Marianne Williams, Advanced Practice Member

DOH Staff:

Staff: Chuck Cumiskey, Nursing Practice Manager; Usrah Claar-Rice, Nursing Education Manager; Diana Casler, Secretary.

Call to order/Roll call

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm. All members were present

I. NEW BUSINESS:

Paula reviewed the results of the Nursing Commission's November 4, 2005 meeting in regards to the continuing competency portfolio pilot; the subcommittee's responsibilities and the additional role to develop the outcomes that measure continuing competency.

The members discussed the need to:

- Develop a time frame for implementation
- Target and stakeholder groups
- Develop talking points to communicate our vision for Continuing Competency to key stakeholders
- Set volunteer goals for pilot program for each specialty to obtain representative
- Development measures to track budgetary factors & constraints.

Chuck and Cheryl will:

- Send out current literature, various links, and actions of other State Boards of Nursing for the members review.

Chuck proposed evaluating Commission members to attending the upcoming National Continuing Competence Conference in Ontario, Canada in spring of 2007 which will likely be in Toronto.

Items that will be tabled for a latter discussion:

- Establishing a task force of subcommittee members willing to establish measurable criteria that can establish continuing competency during the pilot program.
- Rules writing process (CR-101 filing) with sunset at the endpoint with permanent rules to follow. Realistically, this could be a plan requiring three to five years for permanent rules to be established.
- Ideas regarding ways/means to encourage the support and cooperation of nurses:
 - Voluntary Facilities to generate interest & excitement;
 - Get the word out via. Nursing Commission website establish Continuing Competency tab

Mechanisms to enlist the support of facilities and/or employers:

- *Target specialty practice areas:* (Ambulatory Care, Ambulatory Surgery Centers, Educators, Home Health, Hospices, Long Term Care, , Public Health, etc)
- The sub-committee needs to determine how much they want to do in regards to obtaining data. Contracting out for audit results &/or survey to develop a package etc.
- Other stakeholders – already identified organizations. However, other organizations maybe an option to assist in figuring out best methods (nurse vs. facilities).
- Chuck will get the broad topics in a format to think about specific measures
- Open public meetings must take place.
- Chuck/Todd will work on preparing a strategic plan draft to email to the members by February 16.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 16th – Conference call 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Adjournment at 9:05 p.m.